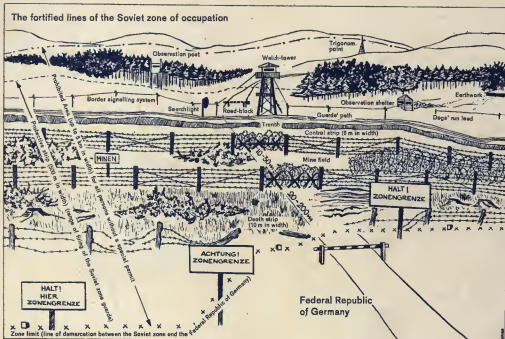


Attention! Demarcation line!

Information for visitors!



An echoloned system of barbed wire fences, wire entanglements, mines, observation posts and prohibited zones divides both men and women of our people more poignantly than oceans, mountains and state frontiers could do. Behind these fortifications there live Germans like ourselves. They, too, want human rights and freedom. Yet informers, fanatics and misguided persons together with a draconic system of justice see to it that they cannot take advantage of these basic rights.

Do not let us forget: Germany is over there, too!

For exact information on the localities apply to the offices of the Zollgrenzdienst, Bundesgrenzschutz, and to the Zonenrandberatungsdienst of the Kreisverwaltung at the towns of Braunlage, Duderstadt, Gifhorn, Göttingen, Goslar, Helmstedt, Lüneburg, Lüchow, Osterode, Wolfenbüttel and Zellerfeld.

Groups of visitors will please report to the „Zonenrandberatungsdienst für Niedersachsen im Niedersächsischen Ministerium für Bundesangelegenheiten, Vertriebene und Flüchtlinge, Hannover, Calenberger Str. 2.

Do not throw this away! Please turn over and read on!

Please pay attention

to every sign-post!

Achtung!

Zonengrenze!

or

Halt!

Zonengrenze!

or

Halt!

Hier

Zonengrenze!

which say in these different ways „Attention! Zonal border!“.

These signs warn you that the demarcation line runs immediately behind them. Do not go near this line! It is not always perceptible. It does not always follow the boundary line of the landmarks, the 10 m strip, or the barbed wire fence. The fence erected by the Soviet-occupied side and the 10 m strip are often situated several yards deep inside zonal territory.

The 10 m strip is no longer marked for long stretches. At many places the wire fence is decayed. So look out!

Do not use other than public roadways!

By touching or passing the markings of the demarcation line you risk being severely injured or even killed.

Do not seek any contact with the guards by shouting, photographing, or offering presents. This is very likely to be interpreted as provocation. Abstain from loud manifestations of annoyance at any uniformed members of the zonal army. Apart from not knowing the real attitude of these soldiers of the Soviet-occupied zone, you endanger not only yourself but also jeopardize the human relations which are being maintained only with great difficulty between the people separated by this demarcation line.

Therefore: Help us to avoid incidents!

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